A

LETTER

Sent by the

Emperor of Morocco

And KING of *FEZ*,

To his MAJESTY of

Great BRITAIN,

And delivered by his Embaſſador in *January*, 1681.

In the name of the moſt Gracious God, the Lord over all Lords.

FRom the Servant of the moſt High God, Governour over all the People, *ISMAEL KERIFF*, over-flowing with Good Deeds: He the high Commands of God and of the Angels regarding, but of none other: He that has Millions of Horſes at his Command, ſendeth Peace to them that follow Truth. We have underſtood by way of *TANGIER*, that we are in perfect Friendſhip, and that the Peace is concluded over all our Countries; and therefore the Letter that we have ſent, is to confirm the Peace and the Treaty that we have made with you; for we deſire to have a Trade with you: but let us not make the ſame Terms as we had in the beginning of the War, wherein ſo many dyed by the Sword when we were Enemies, but let our Enemies dye. We have ſlain ſuch as have run away from us to you, but you have not done the ſame. For the Second Article is, *That if any Renegado ſhall run away from us to* TANGIER, *you ſhall be obliged to ſend him back again.*

And

And for your ſecurity in this Treaty, we have ſent unto you our Servant *HERDU* for the management of it; and our joy at it ſhall be like the thing that begins to grow: and I who am the Tree, ſend you one of my Branches, which I recommend to you, as if it were the Tree itſelf; and we have ſtrictly charged him what he ſhall ſay to you. Look upon him as yo would do upon my ſelf; that which he ſhall do, ſhall be well done, and you ſhall value it as a thing that comes from Heaven. We heartily deſire you to write to us. Neither our Cuſtoms or Habits are like yours. If you will build any thing on our Ground, we will pull it down, and we ſhall do our ſelves right. We have amongſt us ſome Chriſtians that underſtand themſelves, and are more eſteemed than our own Servants; they have Eagles Eyes, but hate us and our belief, and therefore are a Scandal to us. He that values our Honour, honoureth God. And becauſe it is our deſire that you ſhould receive ſomething from us, we have ſent you Thirty Oſtriches out of the Deſert; and we expect that you ſhould furniſh us with Six Thouſand pieces of Eight yearly. As for *TANGIER*, we ſtand in no manner of fear of it: and after the Ratification of the Peace, all Hoſtility betwixt us ſhall ceaſe.

ISMAEL *Son of the beloved* KERIFF,
Deſcended from God.

POSTSCRIPT.

WHereas immediately after the arrival of his Excelleney the Embaſſador from FEZ *and* MOROCCO, *there was publiſhed a* LETTER *from the Emperor of* Morocco *to the King of* England; *this is to undeceive the Reader, that that was only a Copy of an old* LETTER *Reprinted, ſent from one of their former Emperors to King* CHARLES *the Firſt of ever-bleſſed Memory; and that this is the Letter brought by the preſent Embaſſador to His Majeſty, whom God long preſerve.*

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